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AMENDMENT

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This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 26, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-5 and 10, and add new claims 11-15 as follows:



- 11. (New) In an apparatus having a storage medium that includes position information that defines real tracks of the storage medium that are eccentric to an axis of rotation of the storage and a transducer that is positionable relative to the storage medium, a method of operating the apparatus comprising a step of controlling a position of the transducer to follow virtual tracks that are substantially concentric to the axis of rotation of the disc and are eccentric to the real tracks.
- 12. (New) The method of claim 11 including reading data from the virtual tracks with the transducer.